

Salem POCD Sub-Committee
Scheduled Meeting
October 4 2010 7:30 p.m.
Minutes

Call to Order

Frank Abetti called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM.

In attendance: Frank Abetti, Gloria Fogarty, Jim Fogarty, Sue Spang, Dana Abetti, Sally

Public Comment

None

Additions to the Agenda

None

Approval of Minutes of 9/21/2010

Postponed until the next meeting.

Old Business

- **Discussion of combined draft POCD Objectives and Recommendations:**
 - 1.1. The Committee discussed adding a separate conservation commission. However, we already have a conservation commission as a subcommittee of the Inland Wetlands Commission.
 - In our POCD refresh, we should be careful to use lower case letters for conservation commission when we refer to this to refrain from implying we are talking about a specific governmental body. (Note: See State Statute 7.1.3.1.a, regarding Inland Wetlands regulatory power.)
 - Add, "... and the impacts have been minimized to the greatest extent possible" to the end of 1.1.3., and delete 1.1.4.
 - 1.2. Definition of low impact development is readily available in the public domain. We do not need to define in this document.
 - 1.2.1. Change the beginning to, "Proactively cultivate a cooperative..."
 - 1.2.2. Consider rephrasing this section to be more specific about what we are looking for. Gloria will research whether a Planner must be certified or licensed, include in this section.
 - 1.5. Aquifers
 - 1.5.3. Confirm that the management plan applies to town-owned property and that we are not trying to force the State to comply with our plan.

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- 1.5.5. Type: Add “recommendation” to the beginning.
- 2.2. Farmland
 - 2.2.2. Reword to ensure this does not imply that CT PA 490 applies to open space.
 - 2.3.6. Remove the recommendation for a farm day tour. This is a great idea, but too detailed for the POCD.
- 3.1. Forestry: Add a recommendation for a forestry management plan.
 - 3.1.3. DEP has been working on “adopting” not “updating.” Salem should review and consider adopting, not blindly adopt. Also, remove the references to the Inland Wetlands commission.
- 4.1. Iconic Resources
 - 4.1.4. Adapt wording to be consistent with 1.1.3.
- 4.2.1. Discuss with Bill. Some owners care for the cemeteries. If they are deeded to the Town, who cares for them with what funding/staffing? Does “proposed subdivision” have a broad enough scope?
- 4.3. Scenic Roads
 - We did not mention Route 85, but we are planning to erect historic district signs along the road, which we hope will result in many people slowing down.
- EDC
 - 5.1.2. Reword to make clear that boards and commissions are plural, not one in particular.
 - 5.1.3. Make more direct, consistent with prior wording.
 - 5.2.1. Remove the word, “eventually.”
 - 6.1.2. Four Corners beautification: Define what it means and clarify that the town wouldn’t pay for it. Plants in the middle of the round-about, facilitate a day or two with local business owners to plant plants (in compliance with any state highway regulations).
- Trails
 - 9.3.2. Change “recommend” to “recommended” and change “co-ordinate” to “schedule public works maintenance to simultaneously coincide with development of bike paths.”
 - 9.4.1. Change “buildings” to “locations.”
- Gadbois Property (Note: Fix spelling of name in the goal.)

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- 10.2.1. Pavilion should be plural.
- Infrastructure
 - We may end up removing Goal 11 since this is our normal course of business. It will depend on the feedback we receive.
- Communications
 - 12.1.3. Change “encode” to “publish.”
- Cluster Development
 - 14.2.2. Define “density benefit.” Gloria will follow-up with Linda.
 - 14.2.3. Merge the two sentences into something similar to: “Establish a champion process to proactively expedite the approval process by promoting early dialogue and proactively identifying any potential issues.”
- Add an executive summary:
 - Survey results
 - Gaps/Analysis
 - Key changes from the last POCD
- **Strategy and Planning for Oct 19 P&Z Meeting**
 - Gloria will confirm with the Chair of P&Z his expectations for our October 19 meeting with them.
 - Clarify that our meeting on October 19 is to hear P&Z feedback on the content, not wording at this point.
 - We need to clarify when the process and when the POCD transitions to P&Z.

Next Steps

- Frank will update a draft of the POCD with the changes discussed during this meeting.
- Gloria will research whether a Planner must be certified or licensed, include in this section.
- Define “density benefit.” Gloria will follow-up with Linda.
- Gloria will confirm with the Chair of P&Z his expectations for our October 19 meeting with them, and will clarify the POCD approval process.

Adjourn

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M/S Dana Abetti/Sue Spang